

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 3546

C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 1515

FOR NEA/ARN, HOWELL

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EAID LE US  
SUBJ: TENTS FOR PEOPLE IN DAMOUR

REF: STATE 075243

1. MANY THANKS YOUR RAPID RESPONSE. CALLED MINISTER  
SOCIAL WELFARE THIS MORNING AND TOLD HIM WE WERE  
PREPARED SELL 500 TENTS IN ITALY TO GOL FOR PEOPLE OF  
DAMOUR. PRICE \$375 PLUS TRANSPORT. HE REPLIED THAT  
BEFORE MAKING UP MIND HE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW:

(1) ULTIMATE QUANTITY AVAILABLE. IS IT ONLY 500,  
OR COULD THEY BUY MORE?

(2) DELIVERY TIME.

(3) APPROXIMATE COST OF TRANSPORT BY AIR AND BY  
SEA (WEIGHT OF TENTS UNKNOWN HERE) FROM ITALY TO  
LEBANON.

2. REALIZE IMPLICATION OF REFTTEL IS THAT ONLY  
500 TENTS IN TOTO WOULD BE AVAILABLE, BUT WOULD  
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LIKE TO HAVE THAT SPELLED OUT.

3. MINISTER ADDS THAT THEY WOULD LIKE US TO SUPPLY  
ANOTHER 500 TENTS FOR DISPLACED LEBANESE, NOT  
PALESTINIANS, UNDER EMERGENCY RELIEF PROGRAMING.  
THESE WOULD BE FOR VILLAGERS WHOSE HOMES DESTROYED  
AND WHOM THEY ARE TRYING TO MOVE OUT OF BEIRUT AND

BACK TO COUNTRY.

4. COMMENT: THIS ADDS UP TO 1,000 TENTS, PERHAPS.  
IF WE ARE PREPARED RELEASE THAT MANY, I SUGGEST  
WE OFFER SUPPLY 500 FOR VILLAGERS AND SELL 500 FOR  
PALESTINIANS AND SAY THAT IS ALL. GIVEN PRICE DIFFERENTIAL,  
COMPARED WITH INDIA, I DOUBT GOL WILL ACTUALLY BUY TENTS  
FOR DAMOURIS. PARKER

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